PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

SHIMANUKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1724

Application No.: 09/764,391

Examiner: C. Bushey

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: January 20, 2004

Sir:

In reply to the outstanding Office Action dated September 25, 2003, the period for response having been extended one month from December 25, 2003 to January 25, 2004, with the filing of the attached Petition for Extension of time, please amend the application as follows: